

Montana State Legislature

2013 Session

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BUSINESS REPORT

**MONTANA SENATE
63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date: Monday, February 18, 2013
Place: Capitol

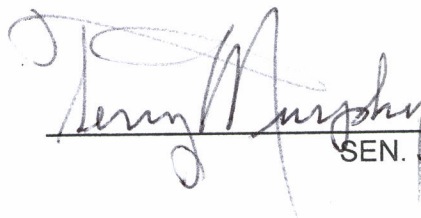
Time: 3:00 PM
Room: 317-A

BILLS and RESOLUTIONS HEARD:

SB 272 - Create Montana Indian Child Welfare Act - Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy
SB 292 - Revise medical peer review laws to clarify definitions - Sen. Bruce Tutvedt
SB 296 - Provide protections for physician treatment of Lyme disease - Sen. Fred Thomas
SB 297 - Revise laws related to health care provider service payments - Sen. Elsie Arntzen
SB 315 - Provide for monitoring of childhood body mass index trends - Sen. Kaufmann

EXECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN:

Comments:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Terry Murphy", is written over a horizontal line.

SEN. Jason Priest, Chair

MONTANA STATE SENATE

Roll Call

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

DATE: 2.18.13

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT/ EXCUSED</u>
CHAIRMAN JASON PRIEST		X
VICE CHAIRMAN TERRY MURPHY	X	
SENATOR MARY CAFERRO	X	
SENATOR GREG JERGESON	X	
SENATOR FRED THOMAS		X
SENATOR DAVE WANZENRIED	X	
SENATOR ART WITTICH		X

SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Monday, February 18, 2013

SB 292 - Revise medical peer review laws to clarify definitions

Sponsor: **Sen. Bruce Tutvedt**

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Sponsor: Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy

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SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Sponsor: **Sen. Christine Kaufmann**

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SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Sponsor: **Sen. Elsie Arntzen**

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SB 296 - Provide protections for physician treatment of Lyme disease

Sponsor: Sen. Fred Thomas

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From: Barbara Schneeman <Barbara.Sch@riverstonehealth.org>
Sent: Sunday, February 17, 2013 2:20 PM
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Cc: kaufmann@mt.net; Emge, Julie
Subject: Support SB 315 - Childhood BMI trends monitoring
Attachments: SB 315 body mass index monitoring support 2-17-13.docx

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Dear Senator Priest and Members of the Senate Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee:

On behalf of RiverStone Health, Yellowstone County's public health organization, I urge your favorable consideration of SB 315 - Provide for Monitoring of Childhood Body Mass Index Trends. With childhood obesity rates tripling over past 30 years so that more than 23 million children (ages 2-19) either obese or overweight, Montana must do all we can to ensure the health of our children. I've attached a letter which further detailing why passing this legislation is a good investment in our future.

Thank you for your consideration.

Barbara J. Schneeman | Director
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February 17, 2013

The Honorable Jason Priest, Chairman
Senate Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee
Montana State Senate
PO Box 200500
Helena, MT 59620-0500

RE: SB 315– Provide for Monitoring of Childhood Body Mass Index Trends

Dear Chairman Priest and Members of the Senate Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee:

On behalf of RiverStone Health, Yellowstone County's public health organization, I urge your favorable consideration of SB 315 - Provide for Monitoring of Childhood Body Mass Index Trends. With childhood obesity rates tripling over past 30 years so that more than 23 million children (ages 2-19) either obese or overweight, Montana must do all we can to ensure the health of our children.

Research has shown that children who are obese after age 6 have a greater than 50% of being obese as adults; 80% of children who were overweight at ages 10-15 were obese at age 25. By adulthood, obesity-associated chronic diseases – heart disease, some cancers, stroke, and diabetes – are the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th leading causes of death in the United States. Not only does childhood obesity detrimentally impact health, it also has a fiscal impact. Among children and adolescents, annual hospital costs related to obesity were \$127 million during 1997-1999 up from \$35 million 1979-1981.

Enacting SB 315 is one of the first steps in a process that will lead to more comprehensive programs and policies to combat childhood obesity. While state and national level data is useful, SB 315 will also enable local health departments and schools to look at data specific to their communities and develop effective initiatives to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic.

Thank you for your consideration of SB 315. I look forward to working with you on this and other important public health measures. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at barbara.sch@riverstonehealth.org or 651-6420.

Sincerely,

Barbara Schneeman, Director
Communication & Advocacy

Cc: Senators Christine Kaufmann, Mary Caferro, Greg Jergeson, Terry Murphy, Fred Thomas,
David Wanzenried, Art Wittich